

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 2, the paragraph beginning at line 32 should be amended to read as follows.

--JP 61257908 A discloses a make-up composition which comprises a ~~power~~ powder which is coated with a metal powder, e.g. composed of silver. In this case, the silver coating evidently only serves the purpose of providing optical properties.--

Page 14, the paragraph beginning at line 24 should be amended to read as follows.

--Fig. 2 shows each field of an x-y graph in which the time is plotted on the x axis and the optical density is plotted on the y axis. The experimental results depicted in columns 1 to 8 in Fig. 2 were determined, using the following creams, in parallel experimental assays A to H corresponding to the rows A to H:

column 1, rows A-H:	cream without any additions of silver
column 2, rows A-H:	cream comprising 0.1% w/w agglomerate silver
column 3, rows A-H:	cream comprising 0.5% w/w agglomerate silver
column 4, rows A-H:	cream comprising 1.5% w/w agglomerate silver consisting of 99.5% w/w silver, 0.49% w/w zinc and 0.01% w/w copper
column 5, rows A-H:	cream comprising 0.1% <u>0.01%</u> w/w nanodisperse silver
column 6, rows A-H:	cream comprising 0.05% w/w nanodisperse silver consisting of 99.5% w/w silver, 0.49% w/w zinc and 0.01% w/w copper

column 7, row A: positive control
column 7, row B: negative control
column 7, row C: blank value
column 8, rows A-H: sterile controls--